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SUBJECT: SONORA UNIVERSITY STUDENT PROTEST "MASSACRE" OF
PEASANTS

REF: HERMOSILLO 321 & PREVIOUS

1. TUESDAY EVENING OCTOBER 28 OVER 300 UNIVERSITY OF SONORA STUDENT DESCRIBED BY HERMOSILLO PRESS AS "ACTIVISTS" HELD PROTEST MEETING ON UNIVERSITY CAMPUS TO DEPLORE LAST WEEK'S SHOOTINGS AT SAN IGNACIO BETWEEN GUAYMAS AND CIUDAD OBREGON, AND TO DECLARE THEIR SOLIDARITY WITH "CAMPEsinOS". ALTHOUGH A GROUP CALLING ITSELF "PRO PEACE AND ORDER IN THE UNIVERSITY" CONDEMNED THIS MEETING AND ITS ORGANIZERS IN ADVANCE, THERE WERE NO CLASHES AND THE PROTESTERS REPORTEDLY DISBANDED PEACEFULLY.

2. ACCORDING TO PRESS, AFTER DECLARATIONS OF SOLIDARITY WITH CAMPEsinOS AND VICTIMS OF REACTIONARIES AT SAN IGANCIO "MASSACRE", THE EVENING'S ORATORS PASSED TO OTHER SUBJECTS. CALLS FOR THE OVERTHROW OF RECTOR CASTELLANOS, LABELLED A STOOGE OF EX-GOVERNOR BIEBRICH, LED TO PROPOSAL FRO A MARCH ON RECTOR'S OFFICE AND CHANTS OF "DEATH TO CASTELLANOS". SPEAKERS DEMANDED

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ACTIIVIST GROUPS ORGANIZE THEMSELVES TO MOBILIZE PASSIVE MAJORITY

OF THE STUDENTS, AND SAID THAT TO DO THIS THEY SHOULD BE GIVEN
ACCESS TO PRINTING PLANT, TRANSPORTATION, UNIVERSITY RADIO STATION
AND CLASSROOMS. FALL OF BIEBRICH WAS DESCRIBED AS CLEVER BLOW BY
ECHEVERRIA, BECAUSE FORMER WAS CLEARLY IDENTIFIED AS
MOYA PALENCIA MAN. NEW GOVERNOR CARRILLO MARCOR DID
NOT ESCAPE CRITICISM, EITHER, ACTIVIST CHALLENGED
RIGHT OF SOME STUDENTS TO CONGRATULATE NEW GOVERNOR
"IN NAME OF UNIVERSITY STUDENTS", AND ALSO STATED
THEIR DISPLEASURE AT CARRILLO HAVING RECEIVED AS
PART OF A DELEGATION OF "SMALL LAND-OWNERS" NOTORIOUS
LATIFUNDISTA REYNALDO RAMOS. (PRESENCE OF THIS MAN IN
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE AT GOVERNMENT PAPLACE, NOW REFERED
TO AT CARRILLO'S SUGGESTION AS "HOUSE OF THE PEOPLE",
HAD BEEN SINGLED OUT FOR CRITICISM BY PRESS EARLIER
THIS WEEK).
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